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Position Information

Job Title: 23163 - Political Analyst, NCTC/DI/SIG/Hostage Intelligence Branch - GS-12

Salary Range: \$79,720 - \$103,639 (not applicable for detailees)

Vacancy Open Period: 09/26/2017 – 10/11/2017

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal and External Candidates, Detailees

Division: NCTC/DI

Duty Location: McLean, VA

Security Clearance: TS/SCI with CI Polygraph

Travel Required: 0-25% Travel

Relocation Expenses: For new ODNI employees, reimbursement for relocation is discretionary based on availability of funds.

Job Interview Travel: Candidates from outside the Washington, D.C., area may be selected for a telephone, teleconference, or in-person interview. If selected for an in-person interview, any travel or lodging will be at the applicant's personal expense.

Position Information

This is an opportunity for:

- An internal or external candidate to fill a GS-12 cadre position.
- A Federal Government employee to serve on a two-year reimbursable detail assignment in the ODNI. The detail assignment may be extended an additional year if all parties agree.

Who May Apply

Current GS employees at the same grade as the advertised position grade may apply.

Former members of the Peace Corps may be considered for ODNI employment only if five full years have elapsed since separation from the Peace Corps.

- For a cadre assignment:
 - Current ODNI permanent cadre.
 - Current ODNI Staff Reserve Employees. (A staff reserve employee who currently occupies this position may not apply.)
 - Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade as the advertised position grade may apply.)



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- Candidates outside the Federal Government.
- For a detailee assignment:
 - Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade as the advertised position grade may apply.)

Salary Determination

- The ODNI uses a rank-in-person system in which rank is attached to the individual. A selected ODNI candidate or other Federal Government candidate will be assigned to the position at the employee's current GS grade and salary.
- For a selected non-Federal Government candidate, salary will be established within the salary range listed above, based on education and experience.
- A current Federal Government employee, selected for a detail, will be assigned to the position at his or her current grade and salary.

Component Mission

The National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) leads our nation's effort to combat terrorism at home and abroad by analyzing the threat, sharing that information with our partners, and integrating all instruments of national power to ensure unity of effort. The Center serves as the primary organization in the United States Government (USG) for analyzing and integrating all intelligence possessed or acquired by the USG pertaining to terrorism and counterterrorism, and its Director serves as the Counterterrorism Mission Manager. NCTC also serves as the central and shared knowledge bank on known and suspected terrorists and international terrorist groups, as well as their goals, strategies, capabilities, and networks of contacts and support. In addition, NCTC conducts strategic operational planning for counterterrorism activities, coordinating and integrating the efforts of departments and agencies across the Federal Government.

Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs)

- The Strategic Issues Group's Hostage Intelligence Branch produces all-source intelligence analysis for senior policymakers on worldwide terrorist kidnapping and hostage issues. Major Duties and Responsibilities include:
- Perform in-depth analyses of complex and significant counterterrorism issues for senior policymakers and key components in the Intelligence Community (IC) and law enforcement.
- Develop and produce a broad range of finished intelligence products in support of US foreign policy and national security interests.
- Prepare and present oral briefings to senior internal and external customers on significant intelligence issues.



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- Use a variety of methodological tools and approaches to gain a comprehensive understanding of complex and significant analytic issues and incorporate insights and findings into well-crafted, sophisticated intelligence products.
- Maintain productive working relationships with colleagues, experts, IC members, policy committees, and law enforcement agencies as appropriate and use these relationships to share information of interest; attend internal and external training, seminars, or conferences on broad or more strategic subject areas.
- Build and leverage diverse collaborative networks within the ODNI and across the IC.
- Develop and continually expand personal knowledge of analytic tradecraft and counterterrorism issues.

Mandatory and Educational Requirements

- In addition to their resume, applicants should submit a 1-2 page narrative describing the following:
 - Demonstrated ability to thoroughly research, develop, and write high-quality, complex analyses and deliver briefings with an appropriate degree of independence.
 - Demonstrated ability to express complex ideas and insights verbally to a variety of audiences and to communicate effectively and maintain regular contact with peers and counterparts across the US Government.
 - Extensive knowledge of global counterterrorism issues.

Desired Requirements

- Previous experience working on terrorism issues with a strong background knowledge on kidnapping and hostage cases and trends.
- Demonstrated knowledge of analytic tradecraft and a strong record of all-source analytic production.

Key Requirements and How To Apply

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package must include:

- RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.



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- c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- d. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: Applications should be sent to either DNI-MSD-HR-RR-Team_C_WMA@dni.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both saksdav@dni.ic.gov (*David S.*) and longvj@cia.ic.gov (*Vince L.*) in lieu of the group address above. All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

Applications submitted through the classified email system should NOT contain classified information above the TS//SI//TK//NOFORN level.

External Candidates:

Key Requirements:

- U.S. Citizenship.
- Successful completion of CI polygraph and background investigation.
- Successful completion of a ODNI medical screening.
- A two-year trial period is required for all new permanent appointments to the ODNI.

A complete application must include:

- a. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- b. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- d. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.
- e. **SF-50:** Current or former Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: Applications should be sent to Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both



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Current Federal Employees Applying for a Detail Assignment:

Applicants from federal agencies within the Intelligence Community (IC) may be considered for this position as a reimbursable detailee, if endorsed by the employing agency. Applicants must have current TS/SCI clearances with polygraph or have the ability to obtain one. The ODNI does not conduct polygraphs or provide security clearances for detailees. ***Applicants from within the IC must submit an application through the classified [IC Joint Duty Program website](#).***

Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC must provide:

- a. **WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.
- b. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- c. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- d. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- e. **CURRENT SF-50:** Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.
- f. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

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All Applicants:

APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST CONTAIN ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.



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Your application **MUST** be received by midnight on the closing date of this announcement. Applications received after the closing date will **NOT** be eligible for consideration.

To verify receipt of your application package **ONLY**, you may call 703-275-3955.

What To Expect Next

The most highly qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement. Due to the large number of applications received, applicants will be contacted **ONLY** if they have been selected for an interview.

Agency Contact Information

ODNI Recruitment; Phone: 703-275-3955; Email: Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov

Other Information

The ODNI offers a broad array of benefits programs and family friendly flexibilities for ODNI cadre.

- Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: <http://www.opm.gov/insure/health/index.asp>
- Life Insurance: <http://www.opm.gov/insure/life/index.asp>
- Long-Term Care Insurance: <http://www.ltcfeds.com>
- Federal Employees Retirement SYSTEM (FERS) (new employees automatically covered): <http://www.opm.gov/retire/index.asp> If you are transferring from another agency and covered by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), you may continue in that system.
- Annual and Sick Leave: <http://www.opm.gov/oca/leave/index.asp>
- Flexible Spending Accounts for Health Care and Dependent Care: <http://www.fsafeds.com/fsafeds/index.asp>
- Paid Federal Holidays
- Alternative Work Schedules

The ODNI is an equal opportunity employer and abides by applicable employment laws and regulations.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The ODNI provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities. IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Office Representative by classified email at DNI-EEOD-RA-ACF@exchange.cia.ic.gov, by unclassified email at DNI-EEOD@dni.gov, by telephone at 301-243-0704 or by FAX at 301-243-1200. Your request for reasonable accommodation will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. **PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EEOD EMAIL ADDRESS. THIS EMAIL IS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS ONLY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION VIA THE EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED IN THE 'HOW TO APPLY' SECTION ABOVE.**